BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 96-249-C - ORDER NO. 97-784

SEPTEMBER 11, 1997

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IN RE: Request of BellSouth Public Communications, Inc. for Waiver of COCOT Guidelines.

ORDER
DENYING REQUEST
FOR WAIVER

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request filed by BellSouth Public Communications, Inc. for waiver of guidelines to allow for blocking of incoming calls at the pay telephone located at Birch Hollow Mobile Home Park in Goose Creek, South Carolina. The request was cosigned by a member of the Berkley County Sheriff's Department.

We have examined this matter, and do not believe that the guidelines should be waived at this time. It appears that the location of this telephone is such that it my be used by various people as their sole telecommunications device. Therefore, the incoming call function would need to be in operation. Because of this reasoning, we hereby deny the request for waiver of the COCOT guidelines.

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This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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